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### DETAILED ACTION

### Acknowledgment of Reply Brief

The reply brief filed 03/19/08 has been entered and considered. The application
has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the
appeal.

### Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Agustin Bello whose telephone number is (571) 272-3026. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30-6:00.

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